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A Further Continuation of the Remarks on the Paris Mercure.

IN my last, I promis'd to weigh in the Balance, the Yoke of the House of Austria against that of the House of Bourbon.

The Design of this Paper will not allow me to do more on this Argument than to touch upon Generals. If we consider the House of Austria for more than a Century back, we shall find, that in the former Part of that Time, the Umbrage they had given to the other Potentates of Europe of their Aim at the universal Monarchy, joyn'd to the Defection of the People of the Netherlands upon great Provocations, drew on them the Arms of England, France, and afterwards of the Swede with divers Protestant Princes of Germany, till both the Branches of that House were sufficiently humbled: In the mean time France, by various Artifices and corrupt Practices, ever cover'd with the specious Pretence of moderating the Power of the House of Austria, grew by unheeded Degrees to be so formidable, that the Dutch perceiving (too late indeed,) they had pursu'd their Animosity against the House of Austria till they had rais'd a more dangerous Pretender to the universal Monarchy, made Friends with Spain and a general Peace was concluded at Munster. 'Tis known what Advantages France in particular gain'd by that Treaty, and by that of the Pyrenees; I shall only observe, that from thence forward Louis XIV has (sometimes by open Force, but oftner and more profitably by Fraud and Breach of Treaties,) been incessantly pursuing his Designs against the Liberty of Europe. In the carrying on those Designs, he has made his chief Efforts against the House of Austria and his own Subjects. As to the House of Austria, he has not only invaded one while the Spanish Low-Countries, another while the Empire, with sudden and unexpected Force, on the most unjust and shameful Pretences; assisted Portugal against the Crown of Spain, notwithstanding most express Engagements, by solemn Treaty, on valuable Considerations, to the contrary; and excited the Turks and the Hungarians against the Emperour; but in full Peace by violence wrested Luxembourg from the Catholick King, Strasbourg from the Empire; and by a Jurisdiction erected by his own Authority, and compos'd of his own Slaves, adjudg'd to himself whatever in Alsace or in the Parts adjacent he thought convenient for his grand Design, under the most odious and ridiculous Claim of Reunion. And as to his own Subjects, they were in a most flourishing Condition in the Beginning of his Reign, his Kingdom was full of People; and no Prince ever had it in his Power to make himself and his Subjects so happy as he might have done: By encouraging Manufactures and foreign Commerce, he in a few Years drew vast Wealth into his Country; built a Fleet no less to the Surprise than Terror of Europe; and amass'd immense Treasures annually, which he consum'd as fast either in Luxury at Home, or in Wars begun out of Wantonness or Vanity abroad. Yet he could not think it enough to be faithfully serv'd and obey'd in all his Projects, nay even ador'd by his own People; nothing would content him but trampling on their Necks, subduing their very Minds and Consciences, and making them the absolute Slaves of his Will and Pleasure: He not only suppress'd all the Authority of the general Assemblies and Parliaments of the Nation, which at least bore the Face and would have kept up some kind of civil Liberty; but by multiplied Artifices, and Delusions of the meanest and most hypocritical Kind, (such as Posterity will hardly believe when they read the Accounts of them,) proceeded from one Violence and Breach of his own innumerable Edicts to another, to extirpate the religious Liberty which his Subjects of the reform'd Religion held by the most solemn Edict of Pacification, (which kind of Edicts must be deem'd of Force, or the World must be eternally involv'd in Wars,) 'till at last this Father of his People forc'd an infinite Number of

his Children, notwithstanding all the Duties of Love and Service which they had paid to him in perillous Times when the Crown shook upon his head, to abandon their native Country; and has since by great Industry reduc'd the rest to the extremest Misery. On the other Hand, the House of Austria, especially the German Branch, have never since the Time of this Louis XIV begun any War against their Neighbours; but have been almost perpetually harass'd by Wars, either brought upon them by that King himself, or by the Turks and others at his Instigation: Their Dominions are not to be compar'd with his, for Extent, Number of People, or the natural Product or Manufactures; nor have their Subjects any Trade worth mentioning by Sea (which is the grand Source of Riches;) yet to it is, that without altering the antient Constitutions of their hereditary Provinces, without using the violent Methods of raising Money or Men so frequently exercis'd in France, they have been able to make very great and noble Efforts, as well against the sworn Enemy of the Christian Name, as against the most Christian King his constant Ally; and yet keep their natural Subjects (for of their acquir'd Subjects in Hungary I shall speak at large in my succeeding Papers) easy and willingly obedient; by no other visible Means, than by intirely satisfying those Subjects that their Yoke is made more or less heavy by the Ambition of the common Disturber of Christendom, not by the Fault of their own Princes, but in their most necessary Defence, and for asserting their unquestionable Rights. Of this I think there cannot be a stronger Proof, than a late Instance fresh in the Memory of all Men; when the common Peasants of Tirol voluntarily took Arms, and drove the warlike and well appointed Elector of Bavaria headlong out of their Country, with the Courage and Fury which Men shew who are intirely secure and consequently fond of their Possessions though in barren Mountains, and which never were or will be found in Slaves on the finest Spot of Earth in the Universe. Another Proof, is, that though the Hungarian Malecontents are numerous on the Frontiers of Moravia and of Part of Austria, and in their frequent Inroads have left dreadful Marks of their Cruelty and Barbarity on those Borders; yet the Inhabitants of those Countries are so well satisfied with the Emperour's Government and in Consequence so stedfast in their Fidelity to him, that not a Man of them has been tempted to joyn those Hungarians; notwithstanding they are strong enough to harass them terribly because they will not, and to protect them if they would. And by our Author's Leave, another Proof that the Emperour on his Part governs his Subjects according to the antient Forms, is the very Instance he brings of their Free-Gifts to his Children on their Marriages; which are really voluntarily made by the States of the Hereditary Countries; and whether given willingly or unwillingly by the Possessors of the Imperial Fees in Italy, are but a small (though necessary) Acknowledgment of the Emperour's Superiority, which he has by unquestionable Right ever since the Translation of the Empire to the Germans. In France indeed such antient Usages are extinguish'd of themselves; because the Nation is eaten quite bare by the ordinary and exorbitant Taxes, which being Yearly Farm'd out to the highest Bidders, are consequently extorted without Pity or Remission. As for the Neapolitans, of whom our Author speaks, in particular, certainly it cannot enter into any Man's Head, that they can be exempted from Taxes and other legal Contributions while their King is in the utmost Necessity for Supplies, and while 'tis absolutely necessary for their own Security to keep up a Force in the Kingdom: But sure 'tis better to pay for Austrian Liberty, than for French Slavery. To conclude, there is this great Difference, after all, between the Austrian Yoke and that of Bourbon; that the former is heavy Occasionally only, that is, in Time of War; whereas the latter is ever intolerable, even in Time of the profoundest Peace.

And here I shall quit the French Author, to apply my self to my own Countrymen. I know the Prejudices too commonly taken up against the Emperour, for his

his Proceedings against the Protestants in his Hereditary Dominions; and for my own Part, I shall never say one Word in Excuse for any kind of Violence offer'd to Mens Consciences: But, I desire it may be consider'd temperately and calmly, whether we, who have seen among our selves the Diffusers from the establish'd Church, though our Protestant-Brethren, not many Years since debar'd the publick Exercise of their Religion, and the Assembling themselves in their Churches, and now holding those Religious Rights only by an Act of Toleration; yet still excluded the publick Employments, Emoluments and Honours, though they contribute equally to the common Charge; whether we, I say, (who upon the doughty Question of Occasional Conformity, were wilfully going to sacrifice the Cause of general Liberty,) can with any Modesty exclaim against a Roman Catholick Emperour, for dealing in no worse Manner, for ought that I have been able to learn, with Lutherans and Calvinists. This is a Consideration that I cannot avoid offering to the ingenuous, the generous, and the good-natur'd sort of Men, in Favour of a Potentate with whom we are in a most necessary Alliance: And to their Thoughts I leave it.

Falmouth, June 28. This Day was sent in here by the Concordia Privateer of Flushing, La Francis August a Privateer of St. Malo, carrying 12 Guns and 80 Men, who was taken yesterday off the Lizard.

Plymouth, June 29. This Day came in the Southampton, Lizard, and Alborough from Torbay. Sail'd her Majesty's Ships Mary, Dover, August and Antelope to the Westward a Cruising.

Tarponth, June 30. Yesterday sail'd out of our Roads the Swift, and under her Convoy 3 laden Colliers. 3 Dutch Doggers came into our Road bound to the Northward; and last Night pass'd through on the back of our Sands a Fleet of laden Colliers bound to the Southward, and this Day pass'd through 16 Sail of Coasters under Convoy of one Man of War for the Northward.

By her Majesty's Company of Comedians.

AT the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, this present Saturday, being the 3d of July, will be Reviv'd a Play call'd, *The Libertine* Deserv'd. The parts of Don John by Mr. Mills, Don Lopez by Mr. Booth, Don Antonio by Mr. Bickerstaff, Francisco by Mr. Keen, Giacomo by Mr. John Ton, Maria by Mrs. Porter, Clara by Mrs. Bradshaw, Flavio by Mrs. Moore, Leonora by Mrs. Kent, Flora by Miss Norris; and all the other parts to the best advantage.

This Play is Sold by J. Knapton at the Crown in St. Paul's Church-yard, and M. Lintott next Nando's Coffee House, Temple-Bar.

Whereas a Paper has been sent from an unknown Hand to Sir William Gifford, offering some Discoveries upon Terms therein mention'd: Notice is hereby given, that if the said Person will bring to Sir William Gifford the Papers he mentions, and prove the Allegations; he shall have all fitting Encouragement.

Whereas Thomas Seaton, a Youth between 11 and 12 Years of Age, having on a dark-colour'd Fustian Frock with 3 light-colour'd Buttons upon it, one of the hinder Skirts of his Frock lin'd with Green the other with a dark-colour'd Stuff, a dark-colour'd Waistcoat and Leather Breeches, has been missing ever since Wednesday Morning last, and is suppos'd either to be gone to Sea or rambled into the Country. Whoever gives notice of him to Mrs. Seaton next Door to the Nags-head behind Round Court in the Strand, or to Mrs. Frances at Angel Court over-against the 3 Stars in Bishopsgate-street, shall be well Rewarded.

To be Let. Extraordinary Accommodations of Warehouse, &c. in Leaden-Hall-street, at a great Pair of Gates next Door to the Hoar and Giffin, for those that deal in India Goods. Enquire at the Ship next Door to the East-India House.

The Red Lion Inn on Mile-End Green, with about 40 Acres of Pasture, is to be Let at Michaelmas next. Enquire at the Hat and Dove night Holborn-Bars.

A Chymist who has wrought many Years in London and other parts, having now his Health now in London, would Operate for any Gentleman in the Country at any distance from London for small Wages. Direct any Letter, Post paid, to be Let for Jos. Van Durelle at Doctor's Commons Coffee-house, or Enquire there; he has some Process that will gratify the Curious, if the Gentleman call there again will have a further Account.

A Black Gelding about 14 Hands and a half high, able to carry 17 or 18 Stone, to be sold at the Bell-Inn near Doctors Commons.

This is to give Notice, That there is lately brought over the Right Havanna Snuff, and may be had at Mr. Osendo's House at the Queen's Arms near St. James's-Gate.

For SALE by the CANDLE.

On Wednesday the 7th Instant, at Lloyd's Coffee-house in Lombard-street, beginning at 3 of the Clock in the Afternoon, 100 Pipes of new Red and White Ports, an entire Parcel, just Landed: To be seen in several Warehouses on Rotoloh Wharf from Monday the 5th Instant to the Hour of Sale, from 7 till 12, and from 2 till 6. Sold by John Styles, Sworn Broker.

For SALE by the CANDLE.

On Wednesday the 7th Instant, at Lloyd's Coffee-house in Lombard-street, 33 Jars of Lucca-Oyl, 2 entire parcels. To be seen in a Cellar at Mr. Harris's in St. Mary-Ax, and in a Cellar at Mr. Huneybun's in Swan-Alley, Coleman-street, from Monday to the Hour of Sale. Sold by Charles Brandon, Broker.

Anne Powel, living in Drury-Lane next Door to the Sign of the 3 Shoes, over-against Parker's Lane, Cures all Ladies and Gentlewomen after the newest Manner; on which Occasion she either does it at her own House, or Waits on them at their Lodgings. She hath a rare Secret to take away Pimples and Redness of the Face, and render the Skin smooth and natural, tho' they have continu'd so some Years. She also Cures Children of Ruptures and Broken-bellies without Trusses: And likewise her own Sex, or what Age soever. Note, There is a Blue Board with Gold Letters over the Door.

This Day is Publish'd,

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Just Publish'd,

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Divine Hymns and Poems on several Occasions; Viz. For the Morning, the Evening, Midnight-Thoughts, the Lord's Day-Thoughts, in Sickness, Death, Judgment, Shortness of Life, Contentedness, several Psalms Paraphras'd, Te Deum, &c. By several Eminent Hands. Printed for H. Clements, at the Half-Moon in St. Paul's Church-Yard.

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The Art of English Poetry; containing, I. Rules for making Verses. II. A Collection of the most Natural, Agreeable, and Sublime Thoughts, viz. Allusions, Similes, Descriptions and Characters, or Persons and Things; that are to be found in the best English Poets. III. A Dictionary of Rhymes. By Edw. Bysshe. Gent. The 3d Edition, with large Improvements. Sold by A. and J. Churchill in Fleet-street: S. Crouch, T. Horne, A. Bell, R. Smith and J. Round in Cornhill: J. Knaplock, R. Knaplock, J. Wyat, R. Wilkin, D. Midwinter and W. Taylor in St. Paul's Church-yard: B. Tooke and B. Lintott in Fleetstreet: And J. Nicholson and J. Sprint in Little-Britain. Price 6s.

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